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## LEAP YEAR BIRTHDAY

The merry-go-round and kiddie land were special treats for Bobby Miller and his little friends in celebration of Bobby's Leap Year birthday. Bobby is the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Miller, 5002 Mendota Dr. He was born on Leap Year Day, Feb. 29, 1952, in Colorado.

With Bobby for the big occasion were Leslie Hylton, Walter Bramson, Bryant Kane, and Butch Stewart.

## Woman's Club Pays Tribute To Charter Members at Tea

Charter members will be honor guests at the meeting of the Torrance Woman's Club, Wednesday, at the clubhouse. Mrs. H. L. Mitchell, club president will conduct a business meeting at 1 p.m. The program will consist of a series of book reviews by Torrance librarian Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson.

Mrs. Jamieson has chosen the following books: "Island in the Sun," Abe Waugh; "Valley of the Vines," Porter; "Sara Dane," Catherine Gaskill; "Episode of Sparrows," Reenor Godson; "Headlands," Carol Brink; "A Slight Sense of Outrage," Morton; "Year of the City," George Stewart; and "Profiles in Courage," John Kennedy.

After the book review a silver tea will be held.

Mrs. Charles Rippey is chairman for the tea. Assisting her will be Mrs. C. T. Blakney, W. D. Jones, Warren Johnson, Sam Levy, Maud Lock, Paul Lorenz, Harry Maass, John Melville, E. A. Miles, A. S. Moore, H. R. Moritz, W. C. Moyer, Charles Mullen, Michael Neckerman, H. J. Osborne, John Oursler.

Others are Mrs. A. H. Palmer, Darwin Parrish, J. R. Patrick, George Peckham, Howard Perry, Albert Poesner, S. V. Raus, H. W. Roberts, A. Robinson, H. C. Sandberg and R. V. Russell.

## Miller-Moon Nuptials Are Read Feb. 26

An announcement of interest to the friends of the bride and bridegroom in this area is that of Miss Jerri Ann Miller, daughter of James E. Miller of San Bernardino and Robert E. Moon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moon, 1024 Anapola. The wedding was solemnized in the presence of a few close friends and relatives on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church.

Miss Susan Babcock of the organ played the wedding marches. Rev. H. M. Sippel, pastor, officiated at the vow exchange.

For her wedding, the bride wore a turquoise blue suit with a white hat and a white orchid corsage.

After the wedding, a reception was held in the fireside room at the church. The wedding cake was served with punch. The couple then left for a honeymoon in San Diego and are now at home at 629 Buckhorn, Inglewood.

The bride was graduated from Inglewood High School in 1955 and attended El Camino College. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. G. Kingsley of Inglewood.

The bridegroom is a 1954 Torrance High graduate. He attended El Camino for a year and is now employed at Columbia Steel. A grandson of Mrs. Sara J. Moon of Whittier, he is a brother of Mrs. Howard Foster of Redondo and William and Daniel of Torrance.

## Birthday Tea For Member

Members of the Beau Jardin Club, surprised Mrs. Darrell Smith, honorary member of the club, with a birthday tea at her home, 22430 Warmside Ave. on Feb. 12.

The birthday cake was beautifully decorated with the words "Happy Birthday" in green leaves and surrounded with daisies.

Mrs. Smith was presented with a gold bracelet from the group.

Present at the party were: Mrs. Darrell Smith, William Cressy, L. D. Burt, Kenneth Moe, William Adams, Philip Rice, George Smith, Myron Langwell, Albert Yackie, Robert Hills and Leo Hayes.

## Mrs. Melvina Beckwith Is Feted on 80th Birthday

Mrs. Melvina Beckwith was the honored guest at an open house last Sunday, given by her daughters, Mrs. Joe Hardin, Mrs. Stephen Welz and Mrs. Frederick Cook at the Beckwith home, on Engracia, in celebration of Mrs. Beckwith's 80th birthday.

Reunions and plants decorated the home. The lace covered table was centered with a birthday cake in pink, white and silver surrounded by pink carnations. The cake was baked by Mrs. Arch Fevery. Silver coffee and tea servers were at either end of the table.

Misses Adele and Kathie Curtiss were in charge of the guest register.

A surprise of the afternoon was the arrival of Mrs. Beckwith's adopted daughter, Miss Florence Franklin, of Little Rock, Ark.

The Beckwith family arrived in Torrance in July, 1918. Mr. Beckwith was employed by the Pacific Railway Co. All three daughters were graduated from Torrance schools. Among the things recalled by Mrs. Beckwith is that there were only 85 students in school here when she arrived.

During her residence here, Mrs. Beckwith has been active in civic and church work. She was a member of the Torrance Relief Society, Woman's Club and PTA. She is a life member of the First Christian Church. She is affectionately known as "mom" to many Torrance residents.

Continuing her full life, she now attends a rug making class each week sponsored by the recreation department.

At last Sunday's affair, attended by over 200 guests, Mrs. Beckwith either had the pleasure of seeing or hearing from every pastor who has served at the First Christian Church since she came to Torrance.

Besides her daughter, who came from San Francisco, other guests were here from La Mesa, Ontario, La Habra, La Canada, and Trona.

## Fireladies

The regular meeting of the Torrance Fireladies will be held today, at the home of Mrs. Jerry Loy, 2116 Middlebrook Rd. Mrs. Jay Nielson will be co-hostess. Plans will be made for an Easter Egg Hunt and a Spring dance.



MISS JACQUELINE McDERMENT  
May Bride-elect

## Jacqueline McDerment Sets Date with Ronald F. Brooks

Mr and Mrs. Elmer N. Jessen, 660 Calle Mira Mar are today announcing the engagement and May 6 wedding plans of their granddaughter, Jacqueline Lee McDerment to Ronald F. Brooks. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Brooks, 3235 Winlock Rd.

The bride-elect was a member of the Torrance High School graduating class of 1955.

The bride-elect was a Narbonne graduate in the class of 1953.

## Church Group Plans Meet

Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church will gather at the church on Thursday, March 8, for its regular monthly meeting with Mrs. C. F. Olson, president, presiding. Mrs. Lee Denton is in charge of the program.

A business session begins at 10:30 a.m. following a prayer service at 10. After reports from the various committees, a talk on "The Meaning of Discipleship" will be given by Mrs. John L. Taylor.

At noon, luncheon will be served by members of the Rotec Circle. The theme of the worship service which begins at 1 p.m. will be "Ventures in Discipleship" under the leadership of Mrs. John Howland.

A drama entitled "The Shabbat Dairy" will be given under the direction of Mrs. John Taylor and Mrs. Lois Balesley in preparing a special musical program.

## ROTC Honors Local Girl

Miss Margaret Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wood, 2020 Marfina Ave., has been chosen a member of the Colonel's Code, honorary ROTC auxiliary, at the University of California, Santa Barbara College. Colonel's Code is composed of girls elected by members of the college ROTC battalion on the basis of attractiveness, personality, and scholarship.

Miss Wood will receive the rank of honorary cadet lieutenant in the group. She is now a freshman student at the college and is majoring in home economics. She is also a member of Chi Omega sorority.

## Married In Home Rites

A Valentine motif was used in decorating for the wedding of Betty Trotter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bureau of Fallbrook and William Nannery of Waltham, which took place on Feb. 14, at 3212 Danaha St., Waltham.

Baskets of red and white carnations and red and white candles marked the place of ceremony. The Rev. Gene Gehres of the First Methodist Church of Waltham officiated.

The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. John Strang and Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. H. H. The bride was given in marriage by Edward White.

After the wedding which was attended by 80 close friends and relatives of the couple, a reception was held.

The bride is a graduate of the St. Joseph Nursing School. Mr. Nannery is a Douglas Aircraft employe. They are now at home at 3212 Danaha, Waltham.

CHECKING-GUEST LISTS AND DETAILS for the Las Vecinas benefit luncheon and fashion show Thursday at the Wilton Hotel are, from left, Mrs. John P. Strater, 516 Calle Mayor; Mrs. Dale Brent Saxton, 507 Calle Mayor; Mrs. Robert Matson, 228 Via Alameda and Mrs. James M. Hall, 624 Calle Miramar, ticket chairman. Mr. Bob's latest in spring

fashions will be modeled following the luncheon. Proceeds from this seventh annual event will go to the club's youth and welfare committee. Mrs. Theo Linhart, ways and means chairman is in charge of the event. Mrs. Robert Pinkney is club president.

## Las Vecinas' 7th Annual Spring Fashion Show Thursday at Wilton

Next Thursday afternoon in the Pageant room of the Wilton Hotel in Long Beach, Las Vecinas Woman's Club will stage its seventh annual spring fashion show and luncheon. Fashions by Mr. Bob of Long Beach will be modeled. Music for the show will be furnished by the Ray Braggie Trio. Miss Helen Perry of Los Angeles will serve as commentator for the "Mr. Bob's Gadabout Fashion" revue.

Cocktails will be served from 11 until noon, followed by luncheon and then the fashion parade at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Charles Gift is serving as chairman of the decorating committee. She is being assisted by Mrs. Paul Reetzger, Paul Barth, Arthur MacKellar, Gerald King, Charles Norman, Sewitt Coleman, Charles Hick, Herschel Kopp, Maurice Wilson and Austin Sanderson.

Mrs. William Reid is in charge of door prizes among which will be a \$100 certificate. Working with her are Mrs. Dallas Frame, John Muldary, Ritter Ammel, Charles Norman, George Creighton, James Jordan, John Kinsey, Robert Jahn, Robert Fife, William McGowan, Alex. Hunt, Frank C. Cowles, Jack Kettler, R. G. Stout, Charles Barnes and Thomas O'Malley.

The party favors committee consists of Mrs. James Hall, chairman; Mrs. John Strater, Charles Sexton, F. W. Klock, Paul Warrick, Lamar Stewart, Ernest Weller, Alfred Artuso, Hugh Sutherland and Arnold Metzger.

In charge of prizes are Mrs. William Manfrass, chairman, and Mrs. M. L. Berger, Thomas O'Malley, John Diehl, Dean Kurz, William Jackson, Forrest Yoder, Chester Weislo, Mel Hefflinger, William Watson, John Langston, Robert Anderson, Carl Peterzell, Hugh Sutherland, Peter Jurisch, W. Y. H. Rippey, Charles Redfield, Albert Kurz, Theodore Corazza, William Overbay and Frank O'Connor.

The programs were designed by Mrs. Robert Matson, chairman, assisted by Mrs. Trenton Dunphy, Maurice Wilson and Robert Ellis.

## Yeager Home Setting For Baby Shower

The home of Mrs. Don Yeager, 23109 S. Meyler, was beautifully decorated in a pink and blue motif when Mrs. Yeager and Mrs. William Jones entertained at a baby shower honoring Mrs. Don Bulthuis. The party was given Monday, Feb. 21.

A miniature stork centered the gift table and pink and blue flowers were used profusely.

Appropriate "baby" games were played after which the hostesses served a pink and blue cake with ice cream and coffee.

Attending the party were: Mrs. Frank Vogt, Clarence Vogt, Sadie Bulthuis, Edna Hall, Sylvia Hall, Richard Marsh, Jim Paddock, Margie Singer, Roy Whittum, Harriet Smith, Russell Jones, Beverly Bulthuis and Miss Joyce Jones.

While there they were guests of Mrs. Schneider's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Oakley. This was her first trip home in 10 years. She came to the United States as a war bride in 1946.

The family left Dunsmuir aboard the SS Orsova on Jan. 27 stopping at New Zealand, Bijan Islands, Honolulu, Canada, and docking in San Francisco on Feb. 16. They were met by Mr. Schneider and Mrs. and Mrs. Myron Chouard of Garden Grove.

## Gardening Is Topic At Club Meet

Jack Hughes, representative of a chemical firm, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Beau Jardin Club held Feb. 22 at the home of Mrs. Robert Hill, 22403 Redbeam Ave. He gave an informative talk on garden spraying and answered questions for the group.

Mrs. John Regan was welcomed as a new member and was presented with a corsage by the president, Mrs. L. D. Burt. Plans were made for a "hard-imes" party given Saturday night, at the home of Mrs. Albert Yackie, 5602 Palos Verdes Blvd. Members and their husbands attended.

The door prize potter, Ivy, was won by Mrs. William Cressy.

During a social hour, refreshments were served to the following members: Mrs. L. D. Burt, Philip Rice, Kenneth Moe, Leo Hayes, William Cressy, George Smith, William Adams, Myron Langwell, Robert Hill, Albert Yackie and John Regan. Guests were Mrs. William Singery and Verlyn Roschewald.

The next club meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Phillip Rice, 22315 Warmside Ave. on March 14.

Gold Star Mothers - American Gold Star Mothers, Torrance Memorial Chapter, will hold its regular business meeting Wednesday afternoon, at 2, at the American Legion Hall, 1109 Boulder Ave.

## Circus and All for Tommy On His Leap Year Birthday

Birthdays are few and far between for young Tommy Bolles because he is a Leap Year baby. Tommy was born Feb. 29, 1952 at the Torrance Memorial hospital and hasn't had a real birthday since; but Wednesday was a real one for Tommy and to celebrate the occasion a gala party was staged in his behalf last Sunday afternoon at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bolles, 1851 Reynolds Drive.

After all, with a birthday once every four years, you might as well make it a circus and that they did. Captain Lodi-cak was there and the children rode on a five car space-cosmo-line; there was a magic show, a rhythm band and all kinds of games with prizes.

The big beautiful birthday cake was a carousel atop which were all kinds of circus animals. The circus clowns and banners decorated the plates and the happlings, ice cream and punch were served by Mr. and Mrs. Bolles assisted by Tommy's cousin, June Muncie as junior hostess.

Twenty eight people including Tommy's friends, grandparents and other relatives came for the party.

Attending were grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Byron Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Bates all of Torrance, a sister, Maria Bolles, and cousins, Zhoneffe and Suzette Butters, Gregory Jones of Torrance and Jay Muncie of Wilmington.

Tommy's little friends included Bill, Barbara and Beverly Souza, Robin and Sherry Johnson, Jack and Norene Houser, Patsy, Diane and Billy Lynn Friend, Michael Evans, Mary Berky and Bill Jones, Michael, Dan and Pat Peppard, Cora and Gilbert Armstrong, Clifford Green, John Hall, Trudy Johnson and Linda Walker.

IT'S LEAP YEAR, AND I'M HAPPY... that's what Tommy Bolles says as he poses with his mother, Mrs. C. T. Bolles and sister Maria for a picture on his first real birthday. Tommy was born Feb. 29, 1952, at the local hospital and although he is four years old, this year he had his first real birthday. A festive party on Sunday, with grandparents, other relatives and friends celebrated the momentous occasion.

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